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Dear Applicant:

The purpose of the Indigent Burial Program is to provide a dignified cremation for persons who die and have no resources to pay for the interment costs at the time of death.

Please fill out the enclosed application, and gather the supporting documentation for each next of kin—surviving spouse, parent(s), siblings, and adult child(ren).

You will then need to call me at (251) 574-5980 and make an appointment to come in person with completed application and photocopies of documents. I am located at 205 Government Street, South Tower, 8th Floor.

The County will review the indigent status of the individual as well as the financial status of immediate family members according to the procedures of the Mobile County Commission. Once indigence is verified and application approved, the Deputy Administrator's Office will make contact with Serenity Funeral Home or Small's Mortuary for arrangements. It will take 24-48 hours to make a determination.

Please note the following details regarding the Indigent Burial Program:

- The decedent must have died in Mobile County.
- Unless prohibited by religious statute, decedent will be cremated.
- The County does not provide for subsidization of privately arranged funerals.
- The County bases eligibility on federal poverty guidelines.
- Insurance, income, property, and assets will be reviewed to determine eligibility.
- Lack of a life insurance or burial policy does <u>NOT</u> constitute indigence. A
 decedent who has a prepaid burial plan, burial plot, or burial insurance benefits
 is not eligible for an indigent burial.

Sincerely,

Edith Gray Indigent Burial Program Mobile County Commission Administration